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## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 5:

## (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 379 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

## (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

## (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 5:

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## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 6:

## (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 107 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

## (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

## (ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: repeat\_region
- (B) LOCATION: 58..87
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION: /rpt\_type= "other"  
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## (ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: -
- (B) LOCATION: 58..87
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= TG\_DINUCLEOTIDE  
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SIZE FROM 15 DINUCLEOTIDES TO 25 DINUCLEOTIDES  
((TG)15 TO 25)"

## (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 6:

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GTGTGTGTGT GTGTGTGTGT GTGTGTGACT CGTTCACAGG TATGGAA                      107

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We claim:

1. A method for determining length polymorphisms in a simple or cryptically simple sequence in one or more DNA regions of one or more subjects, which comprises:

- a) providing at least one DNA sample, comprising a template DNA having a nucleotide sequence that includes a simple or cryptically simple sequence *comprising trinucleotide repeats*, from at least one subject;
- b) annealing at least one primer pair to the template DNA of each of said DNA samples, wherein said primer pair is composed of a first primer complementary to a nucleotide sequence flanking the simple or cryptically simple DNA sequence on the 5' side of said simple or cryptically simple DNA sequence and a second primer complementary to a nucleotide sequence flanking the simple or cryptically simple DNA sequence on the 3' side of said simple or cryptically simple DNA

sequence; wherein said first and second primers each anneal to a single site in said template DNA and the sequence of the template DNA between the sites where said primers anneal is 50 to 500 nucleotides in length;

- c) performing at least one primer-directed polymerase chain reaction upon said template DNA having said primers annealed thereto, so as to form at least one polymerase chain reaction product;
- d) separating the products of each polymerase chain reaction according to their lengths; *and*
- e) analyzing the *lengths of the* separated products to determine the length polymorphisms of the simple or cryptically simple sequences.

[2. The method according to claim 1, wherein each simple or cryptically simple DNA sequence comprises at least one trinucleotide motif.]